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1. QUOTING AP CAIRO DISPATCH, KUWAIT PRESS CARRIED STORY FEB 22 THAT SAUDI ARABIA AND KUWAIT REPORTEDLY HAVE AGREED TO LEND EGYPT 155 MILLION DOLLARS TO HELP EXPAND SUEZ CANAL, FOLLOWING VISIT BY SUEZ CANAL AUTHORITY CHAIRMAN MASHOUR. LOANS REPORTEDLY CONSIST OF DOLS 50 MILLION FROM SAUDI DEVELOPMENT FUND, 15 MILLION FROM SAUDI-BASED ISLAMIC BANK, 50 MILLION FROM KUWAIT FUND FOR ARAB ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (KFAED) AND 40 MILLION FROM KUWAIT-BASED ARAB FUND FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (AFESD).

2. ON FEB 15 KUWAIT FINANCE MINISTER ATEEQI, IN HIS CAPACITY AS KFAED CHAIRMAN, SIGNED 7 MILLION KUWAITI DINARS (KD) (OR APPROXIMATELY DOLS 24.5 MILLION) LOAN TO GENERAL EGYPTIAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION FINANCING OIL PIPELINE LINKING RAS SHUQAIR WITH CAIRO AND SUEZ. PIPELINE, COSTING TOTAL OF 23.9 MILLION KD (DOLS 83.7 MILLION), UNCLASSIFIED

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WILL PUMP 8 MILLION TONS PER YEAR AND IS SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED IN MID 1979, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORT. LOAN'S TERM IS FOR 17 YEARS, TO BE PAID IN 28 INSTALLMENTS, BEGINNING MARCH 31, 1981. INTEREST RATE IS 3.5 PERCENT, WITH HALF PERCENT ADDED AS ADMINISTRATION CHARGE. MAESTRONE

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